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Northwestern Christian Home

Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Supt.

Mrs. Lulu Royce entered Northwestern Christian Home September 9, 1943, and lived there until her death January 11, 1948. Her funeral service was conducted by Earl Ladd, pastor of the Central Church, Portland, where she held membership.

Aging Population Increases

We are indebted to the Presbyterian Home News for some facts about Homes for the Aging. Statistics on the aging population of the United States show the number of citizens 65 years of age and over.

1900,	3,080,498
1940,	9,019,314
1980, (estimated)	25,000,000
Percentage of population over 65:	
1900,	4.1
1940,	6.8
1980, (estimated)	14.4
Years of Life expectancy at birth:	
1900,	49.7
1940,	65.1
1980 (estimated)	70.0

This rapidly increasing multitude of aging persons will require greatly expanded provision for their care.

The Church Helps

The Social Work Year Book for 1945 is quoted as stating: "The public attitude toward the aged has generally been one of indifference except as there has been pressure from the elderly to make their wants felt." The church may help to develop a better public attitude. It is estimated that of 1,500 Homes for the Aged in the United States 43%, or 645, are operated by religious organizations. These fall far short of capacity for the present needs and will be far less adequate for the greater needs of the future.

Some Observations

Some observations produced by a study of the needs and provisions being made to meet them are:

"1. Everyone should prepare for old age, financially and otherwise;

"2. Religious, social, medical, charitable and economic phases of life must be adjusted more and more as to the needs of the aged;

"3. Homes for homeless old people will have an increasingly important place in the church and in society;

"4. The number of home-like homes for the aged should multiply to meet the ever-increasing demands;

"5. Endowment gifts and legacies to Homes for the Aged will minister to the growing need permanently;

"6. Society must produce a host of charitable homes for the infirm."

These facts indicate the trend of the future for Northwestern Christian Home in its field of service.

Oregon Contributions

The reported contributions for benevolence for the year ending June 30, 1947, show that Oregon churches contributed to the benevolent work done through Northwestern Christian Home and the National Benevolent Association that year $634.25 more than during the preceding year and $70.68 more than during the high record year of 1945. Our hope is that the income of this year will at least equal 1947.—Walter L. Myers.

New Helps

"A Pastor's Manual on Evangelism of Boys and Girls", by Jack Oliver, is the latest help for winning boys and girls. It gives the methods for setting up a pastor's class; gives principles for interviewing boys and girls; suggests ways of having conferences with parents; suggestions for follow-up work; and some essential lessons for the pastor's class. Price, 75¢.

"Planning for Children in Your Church," by Hazel A. Lewis, is her latest offering of material in the children's field. This is an 80 page paper backed book, with five chapters as follows: I. A Concern for children; II. Planning for Work with Children; III. A Place for the Children; IV. Opportunities for Learning; V. Carrying out the Plans. Anything written by Miss Lewis is always good.

Both these publications may be ordered from the Christian Board of Publication, 2700 Pine Blvd., St. Louis 3, Missouri.

TWO WORTHY APPEALS

The Christian Church at Liberty (Salem) is engaged in a building program. For years they have met in the district school building and it is utterly inadequate. They are erecting a building out of pumice block. They have a loan of $3,000, and a gift of $1,000, from the Board of Church Extension. They are asking the churches of Oregon to send them donations, large or small, to help them finish and furnish their home. Send all gifts to C. R. Moore, Minister, Rt. 9, Box 535, Salem, Oregon. (We heartily commend this project. —Ed.).

Teddy and Esther Leavitt are throwing their hearts into a Home for boys who need a home. They have a tract of land at Thorp, Washington, with some buildings on it. Their pressing need now is for two items of household equipment to help them care for their growing family of boys. (1) An Ironrite Washer, cost $250 plus tax; (2) A Bendix Dryer, cost, $219.50 plus tax. The Multnomah Church is undertaking to procure these items of equipment and is asking the churches of Oregon to help them. There is scarcely a church in the state where Teddy has not held a meeting. Send all contributions to Mrs. M. F. Kullowatz, 9053 S. W. 36th Ave., Portland 1, Oregon, or to Teddy Leavitt, Thorp, Washington.

Pendleton

The annual report gave 26 baptisms and 27 added otherwise in 1947. Total receipts of all departments were over $17,000. The Crusade goal for July 1 to December 13 was met. Installed chimes with tower amplification, the largest set installed in Oregon by the Maas Company. Renovated and modernized kitchen with two electric ranges, hot water tank, and new linoleum. Cost, $2,000. Missionary giving increased 50%. Additions for January 4 baptisms, 1 statement. O. D. Harris, pastor.

165 Attend Northwest District Rally

By Ed Dewees

The Multnomah Church was host to the men of Northwest District on January 26. The ladies of the church, with timely assistance from the men, served a fine dinner which more than offset the effect of the wintry east wind outside. When the last relay of diners had been fed and the church auditorium and part of the balcony had been filled, Herald Haskell led the opening song service with Howard Cole at the piano. The invocation was given by pastor-adviser Brooks following a prayer hymn.

Bruce Saunders, new district chairman, was presented by Lloyd Arnett, former chairman, and he opened the business session. A field report was given by the writer, followed by a word from Martin Kullowatz on evangelistic progress. Mr. Kullowatz then introduced Evangelist Clyde Freeman and asked him to tell of his work. Clyde reported 41 additions to the Westside Church of Christ in Eugene in the meeting which began January 4 with the dedication of the Gerald Johnson Memorial Chapel. Of these 6 were by baptism and 35 by transfer of membership (including some student memberships). The formal organization of the congregation was scheduled to follow the evangelistic campaign with all added during the meeting to become charter members. Clyde Freeman and his family transferred their membership to the new church and has the unique distinction of being a charter member of the first church he helped to organize.

The next program item was a number by the Multnomah male quartet, after which the roll was taken of 165 men present. Kern Park held tenure on the picture for the greatest number present with 63 counted, and Sellwood topped on percentage with 17 present. Because of Easter Week meetings a motion was carried to hold the March rally on the 5th Monday (March 29) and an invitation from St. Helens was accepted. Program chairman Floyd Shaw introduced Clifford Trout, of Hillsboro, as the guest speaker on the theme, "Men of the Kingdom." He cited requirements of vision, purpose, and action in a stimulating message. The rally closed with an invitation hymn, and the benediction by Harry Baird.

Seaside Entertains

Coast District Ninety and Niners met at Seaside on January 9 for their bi-monthly rally and enjoyed homemade noodles (plus chicken) as the main item of the dinner. In fact, it was quite a mystery as to how the Rockaway delegation missed the aroma and drove all the way to Astoria to learn the meeting place was Seaside.

The program of the evening opened with a bang — some one tripped and overturned a section of folding seats in the church auditorium. However this enthusiasm was turned to good effect in a series of rousing choruses. Bill Morse, host pastor, gave the invocation followed by a vocal solo sung by Clifford Snyder. Preceding the business meeting another chorus was sung and Aldis Webb led in prayer. President Swett then asked for a roll call which showed an attendance of 32. Judson Cromwell, of Tillamook, was elected to take up the duties of district secretary-treasurer. A report was given on the state evangelist's work and other projects.

Aldis Webb, Tillamook pastor, was present as guest speaker, but first introduced his son, Dr. Webb, and Ed Eldridge, new field man for NCC. (Modesty prevents us from commenting further on the latter introduction, but we hope to share with Brother Eldridge at some future date in returning compliments to Brother Webb.) His message was on the Topic of "Progress," and he effectively presented the only true definition of progress as being identified with Christ, "the stone that the builders rejected." Clifford Snyder pronounced the benediction. The next rally

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OBITUARY

The grim reaper keeps on using his scythe. Three deaths have come to our attention for this issue.

Hiram C. Cole, long time member of Portland Central, died December 16. He was most faithful in his church relationships. For many years he was active in the State Christian Endeavor Union.

Mrs. C. C. Anderson, died at St. Helens January 16 She had not been well for a long time. She and Brother Anderson were pillars in the church, and she will be missed.

A. J. Pyle, one of the outstanding active members of the La Grande Church, died on January 16 of heart trouble. The editor will long remember him as a loyal supporter of the Young People's Conference program. We extend sympathy to the remaining ones.

EASTER OFFERINGS

The Easter offering goes for the reaching of the 70,000,000 people in America who are unreached for Christ. Oregon did not show up so well in 1947, only $1,037.09 as against $2,762 in 1946. Why the drop? 27 churches ordered materials for observance and 16 churches remitted an offering. It would seem to us that a church using materials paid for by a missionary organization and not returning an offering to the producers is unfair. We criticise the high cost of missionary administration and then help boost that cost upward. At least 100 churches should take the Easter offering this year. It is not too late to order supplies. Send to Unified Promotion, 222 S. Downey Avenue, Indianapolis 7, Indiana. Easter Sunday is March 28.

Correction

In last month's paper we stated that Ross Evans had an open date April 18-May 9. Yoncalla objects. The mistake is ours. The open date is May 16-June 6. Any church interested in that date may write to either Brother Evans or this office. Apologies, Yoncalla.

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Notice: Items for the Oregon Christian should reach the editor's desk not later than the 1st day of the month to insure publication.

Motion Pictures

The Volunteer Band, a missionary organization of NCC students, has a motion picture which they will rent out beginning with April 1. "Constrained by Love," 16mm, in color, is a picture of our own work in India. For more particulars write to Miss Ruth Kinney, NCC, Eugene.

Crusade Assemblies

The Crusade for a Christian World is planning a series of assemblies in Oregon during February. Dates and places are as follows: North Bend, Coquille and Myrtle Point, Sunday morning service only on February 22. Afternoon and evening sessions will be held at Medford, February 23; at Portland First Church, the 24th; at Eugene First Church, the 25th; at Redmond, the 26th; at Pendleton, the 27th. Sessions will commence at 2 o'clock. Churches are asked to send delegations to the one most convenient to them. J. Eric Carlson will lead the visiting team. Helping him will be W. R. Holder, Ross J. Griffeth and C. H. Addleman.

Dedications

West Eugene dedicated the Gerald Johnson Memorial Chapel on January 4. H. V. Johnson, attorney at law and minister for the church at Trent, gave the principal address. He gave the first $1,000 toward the chapel and it was in memory of his son, killed in action, that the chapel was named. The First Church at Eugene sponsored the project. James Carothers is the minister. Clyde Freeman, Ninety and Nine Evangelist, held a meeting during January.

Future

Parkrose Christian Church will dedicate on February 29. Elery Parrish will commence a meeting that day to run until Easter Sunday when he will organize the church. The Cornerstone laying on January 25 was attended by nearly 300 people. The cash, unsolicited offerings, amounted to $210.16. $5,000 is needed.

Forest Grove has set April 25 as dedication Sunday. D. L. Harden, pastor, expects to commence use of the house in February. It will be the last word in modern, practical church architecture. Other churches may well look it over.

Gladstone

One by transfer January 11. Church is installing a new lighting system and redecorating the auditorium. The Bible School is 25 per cent ahead of last year. Wilbur R. Hensley, pastor.

Financial

January 1-29

CHURCHES: Albany, $91.06; Corvallis, $19.53; Coquille, $20.12; Court St., (Salem), $88.54; Creswell, $15.57; Dallas, $200; Eugene I, $150; Falls City, $3; Gladstone, $46.40; Heppner, $20; Hermiston, $50; Ione, $8; Kern Park (Portland), $10.42; Klamath Falls, $25; Mallory Ave. (Portland), $61.53; Medford I, $145; Milton, $107.69; Nyssa, $19.83; Oakland, $50; Salem I, $33.37; Sheridan, $5.05; Silverton, $65; St. Helens, $44.41; Wallowa, $25. Total, $1,304.52.

SCHOOLS: Canby, $25; Carlton, $4.93; Kern Park, (Portland), $75; The Dalles, $17.58. Total, $122.51.

INDIVIDUALS: Mrs. L. E. George, Eugene, $1.10; Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Fortna, Grants Pass, $10.

PERMANENT FUND: Interest, $57.58; Paid on loans, $108.92; Gift, $1.25

YOUTH: Hermiston C. E., $10.74.

Total offerings to missionary fund are running neck and neck with 1946 —January is about $10 ahead, and the total to end of January is about $400 ahead. We deeply appreciate the loyalty of Oregon churches. There are 71 churches represented in the offerings so far. Among the 79 others are some who are our regular supporters. There is no logical reason why every church in Oregon should not support Oregon Missions. Send in your offerings now.

PARKROSE SPECIAL: The offerings for Parkrose project made on January 25 and following will be gathered up and reported in next issue.

"Christian House"

Young people who attend Oregon State College are making good use of "Christian House" and the Church. Numbers of students attend morning worship and about 70 in the evening.

The following is a typical schedule:

Sunday a. m., class under Gilbert Faxon.

Sunday p. m., worship and talk by Dr. Strand, President of O. S. C.

Monday noon, lunch for student leaders.

Tuesday, 5 to 6 p. m., Bible Study under G. Hayden Stewart, pastor.

Wednesday, 7 a. m., prayer period with interdenominational group.

Thursday, 3 to 5 p. m., a "drop in" casual tea hour for friendship's sake.

Friday, 8 p. m., a candy party.

In addition to these scheduled events there will be committees and small groups meeting.

The students have pledged over $1,400 to the church; distributed 50 mercy bags; sent CARE parkages; and given to Chinese Relief, all in addition to regular missionary giving.

Eleven young men and 4 young women are members of the church board.

The students are grateful for all the help given them. All gifts should be sent to The Oregon Christian Foundation, Virgil Cameron, Treasurer, First National Bank, Eugene, Oregon. G. Hayden Stewart, pastor.

St. Johns

The Bible School gained 11 per cent in 1947. Bruce Saunders is superintendent. 4 added by transfer in December. Concluded the "Christ-way Crusade" with increased interest and attendance. Now entering the "Christ through Paul" program leading up to Easter. Howard Cole, pastor.

Philippine Christians Reconstruct

By Muriel D. Jordan

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood (and Wilma) Tye, missionaries to the Philippines under U. C. M. S., wrote a description of post-war conditions in the Islands. They said in part: "Everywhere we see the destruction of war. The country is being slowly rebuilt, but it cannot be done in one, or ten years, or even in a lifetime The moral breakdown of the people is even worse. We do not go out at night, except in the car, and then only when it is urgent. In broad daylight Wilma saw a young man snatch the wrist watch from the arm of a woman. While riding on a crowded bus Norwood had the papers removed from the breast pocket of his shirt. There is crime everywhere. And now that the first joyous flush of liberation and victory is gone the people are tired; some are hungry. Everywhere down town we see more beggars. Many people are living in shacks, or in ruins with only a tarpaulin for a roof. We see evidence of tuberculosis everywhere. These are people who have known two armies of occupation.

"But our churches are hard at work, evangelizing the people and rebuilding their chapels. One of our pastors sent us this report covering the work in his district for the first nine months of 1947: Baptisms in Apayao, Mountain Province, 155; Claveria district, 64. Two small temporary chapels were built in upper Apapao. The members in Bayag are cutting timbers for a 20x30 foot chapel; two other permanent chapels are also under construction. We have one kindergarten class in Claveria proper. We have three full-time and two part-time evangelists.

"The recent typhoon caused much damage in this district. Not even one house was left standing and the church was destroyed."

Church World Service

"We can not commend too highly Church World Service," continued the Tyes. "Under the leadership of Harry Fonger they are doing a wonderful job. The milk feeding program, the books they are furnishing to pastors, clothing, medicine, and aid to widows and orphans are far-reaching and surpass anything we could do individually as churches. Norwood serves on the Central Committee of CWS for the Philippines.

"School opened at Union Theological Seminary on July 1 with the second semester on November 12. There are 105 students enrolled, including Methodists, Presbyterians, Christian Church and United Brethren. We are both teaching in the seminary classes in Church History, Homiletics and Religious Education, so we are busy. We have spent every Sunday but two since our arrival with one or another of our churches." —Norwood and Wilma Tye.

Ummmmmmmmh!

"Ummmmmmmmh! The sound of approval of relatives and friends was both louder and longer as well as more sincere and thoughtful than usual as Bosumbe Pierre, little 8 year old African boy at Mondobe finished his part on the Children's Day program.

"Bosumbe Pierre stood before the audience that day as the embodiment of the past, present, and the future. He was the product of a Christian home (a thing known to his people for only about a quarter century). The chubby, healthy, mischievous son of a first generation Christian, a former evangelist and district supervisor, now retired because of sleeping sickness. He represented the new day when parents were beginning to "Forbid them not," and his training already surpassed that of almost all his elders because their opportunities for training came so late in life. But even more significant he was the embodiment of a new day in Africa. As he unhesitatingly read in Lonkundo from the Gospel of Luke "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of heaven," had real meaning to his listeners.. Ummmmmmh!" —Ned M. Roberts, Missionary to Africa.

Returning to the Field

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Whitmer sailed from New York on the SS Queen Mary on December 26. They will study in Belgium for six months before returning to Congo. Mr. and Mrs. George Smedley left for Paraguay in January. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith and two sons sailed recently for Congo. Miss Neva Nicholson and Mr. and Mrs. Church Smiley and daughter sailed on the SS Marine Swallow in December for their station in Bombay, India.

Among those arriving from the field are: Miss Goldie Wells, from Africa, and Miss Agnes Fishback, from Paraguay, both on sick leave. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes, of Paraguay, are due for furlough and will sail as soon as transportation can be secured. Miss Pearl Gibbons arrived from Mexico near the end of the year.

Dr. and Mrs. Ernest B. Pearson are returning to the Congo for another term of service as medical missionaries where they served for 15 years prior to 1933. At that time they found it necessary to resign from mission work and took up private practice in Eureka, Illinois. Dr. Pearson is now taking a refresher course in Tulane University in New Orleans in tropical medicine. They will also stop in Belgium for additional work in language before proceeding to Congo.

District News

For the past several months various members of the Oregon State Board of Women's Missionary Organizations had made contributions to this column. Mrs. C. C. Smith, District 1 secretary, who resides in Portland, writes as follows:

"As we begin the last half of the missionary year it is good to review goals and to make plans for achievement.

"The semi-annual reports have been coming in to the district secretaries, and we have had various questions concerning the financial goal of your missionary organizations. It should be clearly understood that your goal applies on your church's total goal, and it also applies on the Women's goal for the state.

"The national Crusade goal for 1947-48 is $200,000, of which the Oregon women are asked to raise $4,000.

"The women are participating in a great undertaking: First, to provide church buildings in several foreign fields. Second, to provide church buildings at Southern Christian Institute, at Jarvis Christian College, and White Swan Indian Mission; and Third, to supply Christian ministry

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Direct Support Mission News

By J. Frank Cunningham

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Humphreys, who some years ago announced their intention to go to the Union of South Africa to work among the natives, report that plans have necessarily been changed. They will work among the pygmies living in the Ituri forest, located in the eastern section of Belgian Congo. They were scheduled to sail January 30, in the SS "Mahenge," for Matada, Belgian Congo, Central Africa. Contributions to this work should be sent to the African Christian Mission, Box 6, Price Hill Station, Cincinnati 5, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Tyrell, ministers at Streator, Illinois, have announced their decision to go as missionaries to the Union of South Africa. They plan to go in October with Max Randall and family. They will stay on for some time at Streator and can be addressed there.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Scott are making preparations to go to eastern China and establish the Chekiang Christian Mission, in the Chekiang Province, near Winchow. "This location is suitable for the plans of the Scotts in working among the English speaking Chinese while continuing to study the language in Shanghai." A. J. Grimmet, Junior in Kentucky Christian College, will join them in the Chekiang work. The Scotts plan a year of study at the language school in Berkely, California, before leaving. Mr. Grimmet also plans a year of study in California after graduating from KCC before going to China.

The annual meeting of Turner Memorial Home was recently held at which the following trustees were re-elected: Dean Schomaker, President; Fred E. Bates, Secretary; E. J. Gilstrap, Elery Parrish, and Wm. F. Morse. "An Advisory Committee consisting of O. A. Trinkle, of Indianapolis, Harold E. Bent, of Los Angeles, and Burton Thurston, of Seattle, was appointed to assist."

Gladys H. Sjodin, writing from Shanghai, tells of officiating at her first wedding ceremony, in December, when she united Lt. Lin Gwo-Dong and Br. Wu Chen (a former roommate of Gladys) in marriage in a Christian ceremony. Here is one quotation from her letter:

"There are many refugees here, and they have come from the war areas. They have no homes, and sleep in the streets, begging for a living—the terrible result of war. I saw a newborn child lying along the street discarded probably because of no money to bury it, or perhaps even thrown away alive because of extreme poverty. We saw another several days old in the inside of the mother's clothing because it had nothing itself to wear. We gave it some clothes and made the mother very happy. Please, Friends in Christ, remember us in prayer. We have a constant battle against the powers of Satan! Remember us even if we fail in sending you letters."

Rolland Sjodin (husband of Gladys), writing from Peiping, where he is in language school, closes an interesting letter with this paragraph:

"In many ways a Chinese city contrasts with an American. Here are no fences, only walks with strange doorways here and there, shutting out the sights and sounds of the street. Rickshaws are much less common than the threewheeled pedicab resembling a large tricycle, with passenger seat enclosed with curtains in winter. The famous ancient capital of China has many royal residences, temples, and monasteries both in the city and in the Western Hills. The many storied pagodas and numerous idols are picturesque, but obsolete. How great the need for the gospel of Christ."

In The India Christian, published quarterly by the Christian Mission to India, Inc. (January issue), we read that the mission staff consisting of Zoena Rothermel, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Roland, Mr. Ralph Harter and Mrs. Edna Hunt, are returned to Rakaul after "some time spent at the hill station." Mr. Rolland had an attack of malaria in October, but "Thanks to Prayer and the new remedy Paludine he made quick recovery." Ralph Harter, a medical missionary, treated over 300 patients in October. Mrs. Rothermel writes: "Since our last INDIA CHRISTIAN went out there have been 3 persons in one of our outstations who were taught 'the way of the Lord more perfectly' and were obedient to Him in baptism. In Madras more Hindus have accepted Christ through the teaching of Manuel Jacobs. Please remember them all in your prayers."

Melba Palmer finds that her health will not permit her to stay in the high altitude of Batang. It is her plan to locate in the lower section of the country. She says: "I have felt I would like to start a new work for Christ, where He has not yet been preached, and He seems to be leading in that direction. We cannot know this far ahead what His plan may be, but He will lead and we will pray. We trust you will pray and cooperate with us."

Again she writes: "Here is our present plan: Gladys needs to get home on a furlough and I need to get to a lower altitude; as soon as others can assume the responsibility here we will travel together as far as Kunming. There I will study the language while investigating possible locations for a new work among Tibetans. Gladys wants to visit the Morses before going home on furlough." Again she says: "We do not know when we will be able to leave here. The Backs have reached Kanting. If the Lord shall get them here this winter they may be able with the help of Joseph and Naomi, who speak English, to manage the work so we can leave in the spring. Otherwise we may have to wait until the Nichols arrive, which will likely not be before next summer." Somewhere we have read that the Backs had arrived in Batang.

Glen D. Johnston sent a picture of the new church building at Homer, Alaska, in use since August. The building is not finished, and contributions to that end will be appreciated by Glen and the congregation.

Sheridan

Total offernings for 1947 were $5,292.77, of which $1,108.68 went for missions. 17 baptisms and 16 by statement in year. Dale Sherwood, pastor.

CANBY—One added by statement January 25. Work progressing and B. S. attendance increasing. John Stone, pastor.

Northwest Christian College

THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Paul, in his epistles to Timothy, repeatedly stressed the importance of waiting through a testing period before appointing any man to office as elder or deacon.

Once, when a certain group considered the appointing of an untested young man to a position of high responsibility, Guy Leavitt, Editor of The Lookout, advised, "Better let the bears chase him around the bushes a few years." His advice was heeded and "the bears" caught the chap. Several people were saved serious headaches.

College provides for the testing of character and personality as well as information. Particularly is this true of young Christian leaders who serve while they learn.

Many Oregon congregations share in the testing of N. C. C. students. In turn the students render many fine services. Fortunately the students have available the counsel of trusted teachers who help them grow in competence even while they are being tested. This process provides for tested young graduates. Other congregations are helping to avoid entrusting their spiritual mission to incompetents. It is a mutually beneficial enterprise. We grow in grace together.—Ross J. Griffeth.

From Down Under

Following the World Convention of Churches of Christ last August, a number of the attendants on that convention from New Zealand and Australia visited N. C. C. Unfortunately for us, school was not yet in session. We note in the New Zealand Christian that our visitors are sharing their experiences with other congregations of their own countries. Principal A. L. Haddon and Mr. E. R. Vicker, Dominion Conference President, completed an extensive tour of New Zealand. Mr. A. R. Blampied, Minister at Nelson, presided at the opening of a new church building at Annesbrook.

Isabelle E. Jeffry, 93 Alma Road, E. St. Kilda s.2. Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, sends greetings and expresses her appreiation for the courtesies extended while here. Her Christmas card, mailed in November, reached here near the end of January.

We note with interest that Dr. J. Tyrrell Baxter, who went from Stayton, Oregon, to be minister at Christ Church, St. Albans, New Zealand, has a growing congregation with 16 confessions of faith in 6 months of his ministry.

Quite a few Oregon Christians plan to attend the next World Convention of Churches of Christ in Australia in 1950. The brethren "down under" are getting ready for us.

Preachers Parliament

Northwest Christian College greatly enjoyed the privilege of sharing in the entertainment of the Northwest Preachers Parliament, January 20-22, 1948. All but a few of the ministers of the Christian Church in Oregon were present either for one or more of the sessions.

Two Words

Inadvertantly two words, "for Oregon" were dropped out of a brief item in the January issue of this paper. So we now repeat the item with the words "for Oregon" included:

"There were 1,753 colleges and universities in the U. S. A. according to the U. S. Office of Education. 1,752 are not giving special attention to training Christian leaders **for Oregon,** but N. C. C. is."

Academic Standing

The interchange of credits between N. C. C. and the University of Oregon is being reviewed. The University of Oregon has taken action which places N. C. C. upon the basis of a professional school and the same treatment will be accorded N. C. C. credits as that given to its own schools of Nursing, Law, Medicine, etc. We appreciate this recognition of our high academic standing.

Women's Association

The annual Louisa F. Kellems Fellowship this year will be given by Mrs. Helen Kincaid, of Seattle. The dates: Febraury 17-19. This annual lectureship honoring Dr. Louisa F. Kellems has proved to be exceedingly helpful to the young women of N. C. C. throughout the years of its existence.

Trustees

At the January meeting of the Board of Trustees, Ralph Cook, of Medford, Oregon, was chosen to succeed himself. The Oregon representatives now on the Board are: Victor P. Morris, Chester C. Farr, Ralph Cook.

INTERNATIONAL GOALS

The State Board has accepted the challenge of the International Convention Committee to furnish 1,000 registrations for the convention September 25-30 in San Francisco. These goals will be broken down into local church goals and released through the district conventions in the spring. The goal means 1 in 30 members. The pre-registration fee is $1.50. If you register but do not attend you will count on the attendance goal from Oregon just the same.

DISTRICT CONVENTION

The dates and places for district conventions in the spring are practically settled. At the risk of having to make slight corrections we here announce the tentative dates:

Mt. Hood District, Wasco, April 12
N. W. District, Parkrose, April 26.
Willamette Dist., (?) April 27
S. W. District, Ashland, April 30
N. E. District, Ontario, May 4,5
Central District, (?) May 30
So. Central District, (?) May 24

Ordination

Earl Hastings, pastor at Kent, was ordained to the ministry at the Hood River Valley Church on January 18. E. F. Leake, Hood River, gave the charge; H. L. Porter, Hood River Valley Church, gave the ordination prayer; Cecil Warner of The Dalles, Glenn Warner of Dufur, assisted in the service. Dr. John Gilhousen and Vern Campbell, of The Dalles, sang. The churches involved all adjourned evening services for the event. We extend congratulations to Brother Earl.

Kern Park

44 persons received recognition for perfect attendance at Church School in 1947. One or more had perfect records from 1 to 12 years. The building fund is growing—nearly $35,000 now. The state secretary visited with message on January 18. C. H. Addleman, pastor, is on his 17th year.

165 ATTEND NORTHWEST DISTRICT RALLY

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will be held at Tillamook on March 12.

Yamhill Officers Installed

The Yamhill district rally was held at Dayton on January 19 with 96 men attending in spite of the frosty night. A delectable dinner was served in the church basement to get the meeting off to a good start. Bob Mulkey, host pastor, led the song service to open the program and Dale Sherwood gave the opening prayer. Retiring president Tom Beasley then called the new district officers to the rostrum where your reporter had the privilege of installing them. Ray Smith offered the prayer of dedication.

Ed Pratt, new president, gave a short talk on behalf of the new officers and carried on the business of the meeting with Dale Sherwood as secretary protem. Encouraging reports were given by local groups concerning their work. Amity men were repairing a house for a widow; the McMinnville men gave a Christmas party for the ladies; the Sheridan men were planning a banquet for the women in February; and the Willamina men were searching for more room due to a general increase in Bible School attendance. The next rally is scheduled at McMinnville, March 15.

A violin solo by Delmar Mabee, principal of the Dayton High School, followed the business session and Evangelist Gene Chamberlain brought an inspiring message on the subject "A Reason to Live." Bob Mulkey pronounced the benediction after the singing of an invitation hymn.

Boys Honored by S. W. District

Men of the Southwestern District met at Coquille on January 19 with boys of 10 years and over as their guests. A total attendance of 52 was reported. Special music was provided by a Coquille sextet, and Hugh McCallum, of Eugene, was the speaker of the evening.

Father-Son Meet in Eugene

The Ninety and Nine men of the Eugene First Christian Church sponsored a father and son meeting on January 19. A pot-luck dinner was served, followed by a song service led by Elmer Patterson, with Lester Hulen at the piano. A preview of a talk on Russia was given by Wm. A Sellwood, who was requested to continue the lecture at a later date. His particular emphasis was upon the training now of youth for the future.

President Olds Visits East

Brother Hugh Olds sampled some real winter weather while attending a meeting of an advisory commission on Men's work in Indianapolis January 21,22. The purpose of the meeting was to pool and exchange ideas for men's work. He reports that much interest was shown in Oregon's Ninety and Nine work and that many of the 40 men attending from as many states wanted more information. He visited Butler University and visited with Vern Kullowatz, Ernie Chamberlain, Jess Johnson, Rex Lawson, and other Oregon students. He worshipped in Lincoln, Nebraska on his return trip.

Boys Camp Workers Meet

A meeting of Boys Camp leaders and teachers was held in Eugene on January 20 with over 20 attending. Statistics and suggestions from the 1947 camps were reviewed and preliminary plans were made for the 1948 camps. Dates were set for the six weeks of camp as held in 1947 and will be announced when all can be verified. Clyde Freeman will serve as director of four camps with local pastors serving in the other two. Deans for several of the camps were announced with one or two yet to be elected. A number of NCC students indicated their willingness to serve on the camp faculties and a campus faculty committee was appointed to maintain contact with Ike Bartel, state boys work chairman. Barrett Whitely will serve as chairman of this committee and will be assisted by Don Byers and Del Troxel.

MMM Call for Parkrose

On January 25 a cornerstone laying ceremony was held at the nearly completed chapel which will house the new Parkrose Christian Church. On the next night the call to the Millennium Minute Men for this project was launched at the Northwest District rally, having been authorized by the state executive committee on January 11. However, the first MMM envelope was filled out by Clyde Freeman, member of the Westside Church in Eugene for which the MMM call was made. If your church has not received materials for this call when you read this item, please notify Ed Dewees, 9022 N. Mohawk Ave., Portland 3, Oregon.

Willamina

The annual report showed $7,941 raised for all purposes—$1,421.94 for missions. This is 50% increase over 1946. There were 26 baptisms and 18 added by statement. Average attendance at worship was 98; evening service 61; and Bible School 155. An oil burner has been installed, 2 rooms added to the parsonage, made a tennis court, bought a mimeograph and put plywood on the walls. 1 baptism and 3 by statement in January. Ray C. Smith, pastor.

Milton

Church purchased a parsonage in 1947 for $8,000. There were 22 baptisms, 13 added by statement, and one reconsecration. New lights for the dining room were purchased by the Dorcas Society. Clarence Torgerson donated 100 song books. A supply of canned peas was sent to White Swan Mission. A special union training school was engaged in. The church is now in an "all out" drive for new members until Easter. Russell Myers is pastor. Irene Warner, Reporter.

Klamath Falls

Bible School runs nearly 300 in attendance. $17,000 raised in '47—$6,000 for missions. Church started the work at Tule Lake (California) with purchase of lots and two buildings from the government. Would appreciate offerings from the churches. Howard F. Hutchins, pastor.

Woodburn

Church building has been painted; finished fireplace; room in basement and recreation has been redecorated; making lighted sign for the outside. The apartments and office have been completed. Happy in the work. George Richardson, pastor.

NO. PLAINS — 12 members were added in 1947, and a parsonage is being built. The house is usable but not complete. They could use more donations from sister churches. Ralph Holcomb is pastor.

PHILIPPINE CHRISTIANS RECONSTRUCT

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to students in at least ten university centers.

"In thinking of the goals of the Crusade, does every member of your organization know we are in a Crusade and that there are specific goals to be met?

"Do you talk about each Crusade goal in National terms, and then reduce it to the state level, and finally to the objective for your church? If you have not done this why not study one objective a month and become thoroughly familiar with it? Why not make a chart and each month record your Crusade achievements?

"Have you made any advancement on your membership goal, You remember that it is 15% of your membership in 1946-47.

"Have you checked on the materials used by your church school to be sure they are gitting mission study units,

"Remember your goal in missionary education is 1/3 the membership of the church outside of missionary groups.

"Aren't you proud to have this opportunity to share in Christian witness through the Crusade for a Christian world!" —Mrs. C. C. Smith.

Mrs. A. C. Bates, District 2 Secretary, of Silverton, contributed this:

"This privilege is emphasized in the month of February in our two special observances, namely: World Day of Prayer, when we consider the three divisions of the Lord's Prayer: 1st. Man's faith in God; 2nd. Man's faith in fellow-man; and 3rd. God's faith in men.

"What a fitting approach to the second important observance: Week of Compassion, wherein we prove God's faith in man by our willingness to share, "inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these," was there ever a more glorious time to serve in fields both near and far?

Because someone has faith in me
I cannot fail, though all the way
Winds up the hill.
My staff in hand, and cheerily
I can but fare me forth each day
With right good will—
Because someone has faith in me.

Dallas

The church has plans for the installation of a new sign. Have given $6,138.34 in last six months. Kenneth Johnston, pastor.

Salem First to Build

It is good news carried in "The Scroll" of Jaunary 28 that bids for the new building will be called for on July 1. Construction will take about 18 months. The present property must be vacated by July 1, 1950. Dudley Strain is the happy and busy pastor.

SALEM FIRST—2 received by statement January 4. Dudley Strain, pastor.

CARLTON—State Secretary visited the annual meeting on January 4. The work is improving under the ministry of Arnold Porter.

YAMHILL—The State Secretary visited their annual meeting on January 11. An increase in attendance has been noticeable since the coming of Ralph Putnam as pastor.

ST. HELENS—Two were added on January 25. Nelson Cole, pastor.

Henry Van Winkle

The passing of Henry Van Winkle recently will be a shock to his many friends in the state. For many years he was pastor of the Central Church in Spokane. In the days gone by he was pastor at Heppner and Tillamook in this state. From here he went to Oakland, California, and from there to Spokane. Our sympathy goes out to his family.

WASCO — Gene Chamberlain commenced meeting January 25. 2 added by transfer first week. People delighted. F. Claude Stephens, pastor.

H. R. VALLEY—There were 7 baptisms and 2 others added in January. Sunday School attendance the highest in history. H. L. Porter, pastor.

TURNER— The meeting by B. Ross Evans closed January 25 with 8 baptisms and 3 by statement. There were 17 reconsecrations. Freeman Yardley is pastor.

GLADSTONE—Walter L. Myers spoke on February 2. 3 added by statement in January. The church surprised the pastor and his wife on February 1 with a floral gift as an appreciation of their ten year pastorate. Wilbur R. Hensley, pastor.

LA GRANDE— The state secretary spoke at the morning service on February 1. The church has purchased 11 lots and will build as soon as conditions are favorable. Glen Robinson, pastor.

YOUTH RALLY

The Young People of the Turner and Bridge conferences met in a young peoples rally at Eugene on February 6. More than 100 sat down to the evening fellowship dinner served by the ladies of the church. At the program following, Bob Sullivan was toastmaster. Pastor McCallum gave a hearty welcome. Joan Daniels and Anson Hyland gave appropriate talks. Ward Rice and Lloyd Hosmer gave readings. Mary Lou Watts gave a violin selection and Marie Soward sang a solo. Three of the Eugene girls gave a skit depicting conference life. William Siefke gave the address of the evening on "The Conference Trail." A moving picture of the Oslo conference was shown by Courtney Swander. The program was closed with a worship service directed by Frances Hyland, and the usual friendship circle. The whole evening was one of fun, fellowship and worship. It was unanimously voted to accept the invitation of Portland First Church for the next party of April 23.

Cove Grounds

Paul Moore, of Athena, and a leading promoter of the Cove Conference grounds, is touring the churches of eastern Oregon in the interest of the development of the grounds. Sanitary equipment is the most important need at the present time. The restaurant, including dormitory facilities on an upper floor, are complete so far as the inside is concerned, but siding yet needs to be put on the outside. It is hoped that every church in eastern Oregon will build a cabin on the grounds. We know that Paul will be received generously.

DAYTON—Gene Chamberlain closed meeting with one baptism. Gene says the attendance was marvellous. Bob Mulkey, pastor.

BROOKS—The work is being started in this village by a student, Clair Damarrell. The attendance is growing.